

# HOW DOES FUPWG MEMBERSHIP HELP YOU? AND WHERE CAN WE GO FROM HERE?

At the last Federal Utility Partnership Working Group (FUPWG) meeting in Tampa, Florida, on November 19-20, 2002, members were asked to fill out evaluation forms inquiring about meeting attendance, meeting format, and presentation topics. Here are the results.

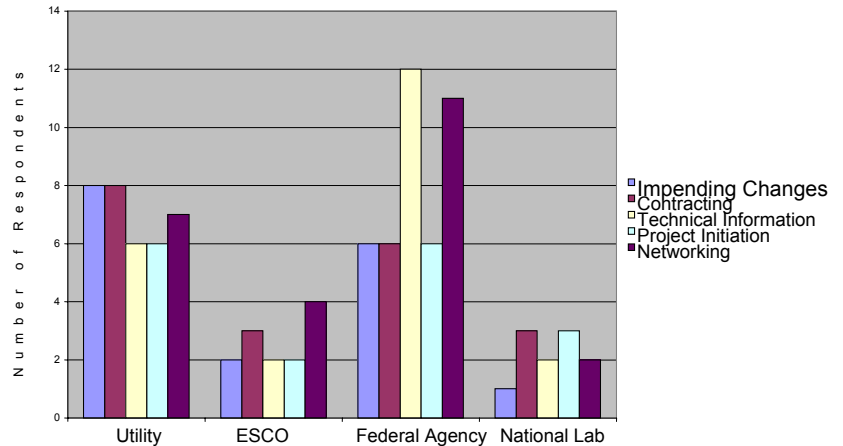
## *FUPWG meetings are valuable*

Every respondent indicated that they would attend future FUPWG meetings. Almost every respondent said that FUPWG has specifically helped them **initiate projects** and become more aware of **critical issues** surrounding the energy industry.

## *FUPWG meetings can act as a juncture for complementary FEMP workshops*

Nearly all respondents said they would attend an additional FEMP workshop held at the FUPWG meeting site to receive specific training. Utilities are interested in attending informational sessions on **UESC, Operations and Maintenance (O&M), Labs 21, and Advanced Lighting**; Federal agencies are most interested in attending an **O&M** workshop and National Labs would participate in a **Labs 21 workshop**.

## Why Members Attend Meetings



## *The wide variety of FUPWG agenda topics appeals to members*

FUPWG members attend meetings for a wide variety of purposes; learning about **impending changes in the energy industry** and **contracting** issues are of most value to the general membership.

## FUTURE MEETINGS

The following topics, submitted by members, will be considered for future meeting agendas:

- **Contracting:** Basic Order Agreement (BOA) basics, discussion on Areawide contracts versus writing your own contract - benefits/pitfalls
- **Case Studies and Partnerships:** Case studies with emphasis on measurement and verification (M&V), water conservation, O&M contracts, joint utility contracts, M&V, lessons learned, utility assistance with distributed energy resources (DER), utility barriers to DER
- **Critical Update:** Updates from civilian agencies, information on DOE request for proposal (RFP) to buy more green power for Federal/DOD customers, GSA-GAO areawide contract update
- **Current Issues:** Privatization with specific request for information on Navy privatization, Base Realignment and Closure update, DER 101, interconnections
- **Financing:** Information on utility financed Distributed Generation (DG) projects and combined heat and power projects
- **New Technologies:** New and upcoming technologies, nuclear energy - should we revisit it?, coal technology - should we revisit it?, cogeneration, geothermal, DG, combined heat and power
- **Policy:** Information on how governmental agencies can promote FUPWG topics with their various agencies/personnel, assistance with promoting UESCs, Federal regulations, Executive Order update, energy policy updates, FERC changes in industry
- **Renewables:** none
- **Security Issues:** Energy security, facility security and its interaction with energy efficiency
- **Other:** Commissioning and recommissioning of energy efficiency project and impacts on energy savings